

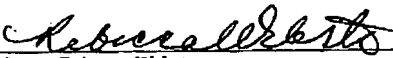
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 29, 2001, said period of response being extended from February 28, 2002 to May 29, 2002.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$980.00 to cover the


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Respectfully submitted,

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